B. Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at p 12, lines 28-29 through p 13, lines 1-3 with the following:

FIG. 8 is a flowchart illustrating the method of withdrawing the catheter system from the blood vessel. At step 802, withdrawal of catheter 100 is continued slowly with infusion of sclerosing agent. Thereafter, catheter 100 is completely withdrawn from the LSV, at step 804. Once catheter 100 is completely withdrawn, the LSV is tied at the groin level and the wound is closed, at step 806. After the surgery, pressure is applied on the LSV for a defined period of time, at step 808.

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